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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.
DEX-0184

In Re Application Of: Roberto Macina

Serial No.
09/806,311

Filing Date
July 18, 2002

Examiner

Group Art Unit

Invention: A Novel Method of Diagnosing, Monitoring and Staging Small Intestine and Stomach Cancer

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of October 16, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: January 17, 2004 Date until: February 16, 2004 Date

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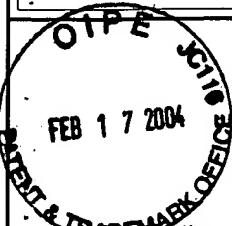
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	1 -	20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	7 =	0	x \$84.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$110.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$110.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of \$110.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1619 in the amount of \$110.00
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1619
 - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-1619

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Dated: February 17, 2004

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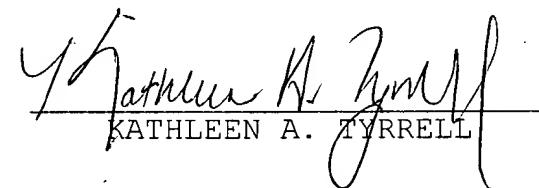
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- 1) Combined Amendment & Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity) (2 copies);
- 2) Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- 3) Article in Cancer by Yonemura et al. entitled REG Gene Expression is Associated with the Infiltrating Growth of Gastric Carcinoma;
- 4) Return Post Card; and
- 5) Authorization to charge deposit account in the amount of \$110.00.



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